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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICATION OF** : Minoru Toda  
**FOR** : ULTRA SONIC TRANSDUCER HAVING  
   : IMPEDANCE MATCHING LAYER  
**U.S. PATENT NO.** : 6,307,302  
**DATED** : October 23, 2001

**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION – PATENT OFFICE ERROR**

Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

During prosecution of the above-identified matter, claims 26-27, drawn to a method of forming a piezoelectric device, were subject to restriction under 35 USC 121. In response to Applicant's provisional election of claims 1-25 drawn to a piezoelectric resonator, the Patent Office withdrew from consideration claims 26-27. Applicant canceled the withdrawn claims 26-27, amended claim 1, and newly added claims 28-34. A Notice of Allowance with mailing date May 31, 2001 was subsequently received by Applicant indicating allowance of claims 1-25 and 28-34. Regrettably, the '302 patent appears to have issued with canceled method claim 26 issuing as claim 24 of the '302 patent. Claim 25 of the '302 patent appears to be a truncated version of canceled

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method claim 27. Thus, claims 24-25 of the '302 patent appear to have been inadvertently included during printing of the '302 patent.

Applicant respectfully requests that a Certificate of Correction, canceling claims 24 and 25 be granted in this matter.

Furthermore, Applicant respectfully requests that this Request for Certificate of Correction receiving expedited handling since the divisional application, namely, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/922,111 is presently under examination. The Examiner in charge of this application has indicated his intention of issuing a Final Rejection based on the above-noted Patent Office errors. These errors have placed claims 26-27 in the pending application Serial No. 09/922,111 under a 35 U.S.C. 101 double patenting rejection.

No fees are believed due by Applicant. However, if any fees are due and owing, the Office is authorized to charge these fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2061.

Respectfully Submitted



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CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION

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INVENTOR(S) : Toda

It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent are hereby corrected as shown below:

Please cancel claims 24 and 25.

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PATENT NO. 6,307,302 B1